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Mr. B. Meredith Langstaff  
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Dear Mr. Langstaff:

25X1A9A When I talked to you on Wednesday morning I was not aware that [redacted] was on leave this week. It turns out that he had called in to his office Tuesday night to ask for clearance on your request to come to New York as a witness. He was told to check back on Wednesday and he would be informed. As I told you Wednesday, we felt there was no reason he should not appear as a witness and both his office and the Office of Security were asked to inform him accordingly. He did not appear or call in on Wednesday and attempts to get in touch with him at his home or other likely places were unsuccessful. Similarly, 25X1A9A repeated attempts were made on Thursday, but no information as to [redacted] whereabouts could be obtained.

I regret I led you to believe that [redacted] would appear but under the circumstances we had no means of controlling the situation. However, I assure you that from our point of view we did everything possible to assist you. 25X1A9A

Sincerely,

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General Counsel

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